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SUBJ: OFFICIAL DENIAL OF POSSIBILITY US FACILITIES
MAY BE CLOSED

REF: ATHENS 5722 1. THE ATHENS PRESS ON JULY 10 AND 11 QUOTED
"AUTHORITATIVE GOVERNMENT SOURCES" TO THE EFFECT THAT THE
GOVERNMENT IS NOT REPEAT NOT CONTEMPLATING THE POSSIBLE
CLOSURE OF US MILITARY FACILITIES IN GREECE.

2. ACCORDING TO PRO-GOVERNMENT AKROPOLIS AND KATHIMERINI
ON JULY 11, THE STATEMENT WAS PROMPTED BY AN ARTICLE IN
OPPOSITION TO VIMA ON JULY 9 WHICH CLAIMED THE GOVERNMENT
COULD REACH THE POINT OF CLOSING US FACILITIES HERE IF WASHINGTON
GIVES IN ONCE AGAIN TO TURKISH BLACKMAIL AND DOES NOT NEUTRALIZE
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EFFECTIVELY ANKARA'S "OBJECTIONS" TO A "SPECIAL RELATIONSHIP"
BETWEEN GREECE AND NATO. THE TO VIMA ARTICLE CLAIMED
THESE GOG INTENTIONS WERE MADE KNOWN TO AMBASSADOR MCLCOSKEY
BEFORE HIS DEPARTURE FOR THE US LAST WEEK.

3. COMMENT: THIS IS ANOTHER EXAMPLE OF HIGH-
LEVEL GOG SENSITIVITY TO PRESS CONJECTURE

ON GREECE'S RELATIONSHIP WITH NATO (REFTEL). THE SEMI-OFFICIAL ATHENS NEWS AGENCY BULLETIN ON JULY 11, IN REPORTING THE ABOVE MENTIONED DENIAL, NOTED THAT A GOVERNMENT SOURCE HAD AGAIN STRESSED THAT REPORTS TOUCHING ON DELICATE FOREIGN MATTERS WHICH ARE BASED ON IRRESPONSIBLE INFORMATION CAN ONLY JEOPARDIZE NATIONAL INTERESTS.

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